

REMARKS

Applicants filed a Response to Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment, mailed August 14, 2006, which is hereby incorporated by reference, in which Applicants elected to prosecute the claims of Group I, with traverse, and requested rejoinder of the claims of Group I and Group III. The Examiner has noted that Applicants' reply, filed on August 14, 2006, was not fully responsive to the Restriction Requirement because Applicants did not identify the claims readable on the elected species with respect to the claims of Group III.

Accordingly, in the event that the claims of Group I and Group III are rejoined, Applicants provisionally elect the species of the H101Y mutation, which read on Claims 17-22 and 24, for the purpose of initial examination. However, in the event that the Examiner makes the restriction requirement final, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in one or more subsequently filed divisional applications.

The Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number below to discuss any issues that may facilitate prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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